

I CAN'T WAIT TO SEE THE DIXIE CHICKS' CONCERT NEXT WEEK!

OH SURE, THE DIXIE CHICKS... I'VE HEARD OF THEM!

YOU'VE ACTUALLY HEARD OF THE DIXIE CHICKS? I NEVER KNOW WHEN YOU'RE PUTTING ME ON

I'M PRETTY SURE I'VE HEARD OF THEM!

SALLY'S GUIDE TO BUSINESS E-MAIL ETIQUETTE

NEVER SEND ANGRY E-MAILS TO YOUR BOSS WITHOUT FIRST COUNTING TO TEN.

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MAYBE RALPH WILL THINK I WAS JOKING.

I GUESS THAT DEPENDS ON WHETHER OR NOT HE ACTUALLY DID HAVE A LOBOTOMY.

ONE MINUTE JOHN RYLAND WAS RIGHT HERE

THEN I BLINKED AND HE WAS GONE!

DID HE SNEAK OFF TO TORCH HIS BROTHER'S STORE?

WHAT'S WRONG, MR. RYLAND?

IF THE DEMOLISHER DESTROYS THIS PLACE LIKE HE DID THE OTHERS—I'M RUINED!

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WALLACE & GROMMET

I WENT IN FOR A LUBE JOB TODAY.

IS THAT SOMETHING THEY DO TO A CAR?

YES.

WOW... COULD GUY TALK GET MORE EXHILARATING?

Sunny, I can't believe you know how to read grown-up books!

it's no harder than reading kids' books.

but there aren't any pictures!

Dexter, soon you'll grow out of the need to see pictures.

Yeah, right.

Grampop, how come you only read magazines?

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DADDY, WHEN ARE YOU GOING TO LET ME DECIDE WHEN I GO OUT AND WHO I GO OUT WITH?!

WHEN YOU'RE OLDER AND MORE MATURE

ONE
BRIEFING
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The comic strip consists of three panels. In the first panel, a man in a suit sits at a desk with a computer. A thought bubble above him says "SEND", and a speech bubble coming from the computer says "OOH!". In the second panel, the man is still at his desk, looking thoughtful. A large thought bubble above him says "I GET A TINY FEELING OF SELF-WORTH WHEN I SEND E-MAIL TO MY BOSS." In the third panel, two men in suits are standing. The man on the left, who is balding and wearing glasses, says in a speech bubble, "LOOKS LIKE SOMEONE HAS AN E-MAIL MONKEY ON HIS BACK." The man on the right, who is balding and wearing glasses, responds in a speech bubble, "I CAN QUIT WHENEVER I WANT!"

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JEFF
Kinney

"Bush. Gore — I don't care which one
wins. Both are easy to spell."

READING BETWEEN THE LANES

YOU CAN TELL A LOT ABOUT DRIVERS BY THE STICKERS ON THEIR CARS... SOME TELL YOU THEY'RE REPUBLICAN, SOME TELL YOU THEY'RE PRO-CHOICE -- STANLEY'S TELLS YOU HE'S A LONG-TERM MEMBER OF THE TOWN LANDFILL

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Actress **Eileen Fulton** ("As the World Turns") is 67. TV producer **Fred Silverman** is 63. Actor **Richard Kiel** is 61. Rock singer **David Clayton-Thomas** (Blood, Sweat & Tears) is 59. Actress **Jacqueline Bisset** is 56. Singer **Peter Cetera** (Chicago) is 56. Actress **Neil Carter** is 52. Singer **Randy Jones** (The Village People) is 48. Record producer **Don Was** is 48. Actress **Jean Smart** is 41.

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Diagram of the 4th Letter Double rack:

N	N	A	E	H	L
B	L	O	E	D	E
W	E	A	T	S	L
O	R	H	S	C	T

2nd Letter Triple

4th Letter Double

RACK 1

RACK 2

RACK 3

RACK 4

PARSCODE: 122410

by JUDD **FOUR RACK TOTAL**
TIME LIMIT: 20 MIN

DIRECTIONS: Make a 2 to 7 letter word from the letters in each row. Add points of each word, using scoring directions at right. 7-letter words get 50-point bonus. "Ranks" used as any letter have no point value. All Judd's words are in The Official Scrabble Players Dictionary (Merriam Webster) and OSW Official Scrabble Words (Chambers). **JUDD'S SOLUTION TOMORROW**

For solution, see Classified.

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ARIES (March 21 to April 19) You are ready to embark on new adventures and begin new projects.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Try to ignore the disruptive forces around you, and focus on the tasks at hand.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Your peers will play a major part in your life.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Try to avoid power-monsters as best you can.

LEO (July 23 to Aug. 22) Remember to be sensitive to those around you.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22) Take things slow and easy; try to avoid arguments.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) This is a good time for self-evaluation, but not such a good time for relationship issues.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) You may be seized with an unusual desire to leap before you look.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) All things romantic might be coming your way.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19) Let house and home be a comfort to you instead of a burden.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18) Participate in discussions and debates, but remember to keep the party friendly.

PISCES (Feb. 19 to March 20) Be conservative in financial matters.

ASSOCIATED WITH WATER

CXUQNKHEBYVSP
JHEBYVTQOLIGSDB
YWTERPLMKIFUDBY
WU(IRRIGATIONS)SQO
MKIFDUHBKDZXWUS
QONLJHTFGEDPCAY
WVTSQPASNKMTRNL
KIH FEDBN IARCEBZ
YWVHCNERDOUSVWR
QPND OOLFASMMILJ
IH FEDPREWOHSRAM

Tuesday's unlisted clue: ATLANTIC
Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.
Wednesday's unlisted clue hint: AN OVERFLOW OF WATER

Bath	Irrigation	Pond	Soaked
Damp	Lake	Rain	Wading
Douse	Marsh	River	Wet
Drench	Moisture	Shower	

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For solution, see Classified.

By Bobby Wolff

It is a challenge to South to find the best way to develop his 10th winner. With nine top tricks, the only possible source for a 10th is in the heart suit. Those who take the routine 50-50 heart finesse lose the game. Correct procedure is for South to win the club ace and cash his trump ace to rule out a 4-0 break. When both follow, South can count on three sure entries to dummy. At trick three he cashes his heart ace and concedes the queen. After the defenders take two clubs, dummy wins the diamond exit, and South ruffs a heart high. South then uses one of dummy's remaining trump entries to ruff another heart high, establishing dummy's fifth heart. Finally, dummy's remaining trump entry provides South a diamond discard on dummy's fifth heart, and the farsighted plan pays off.

No 0802

1 Chew (on)	28 W.W. It litters	43 It's kept close to the chest
5 Busch Gardens locale	31 Anchor man?	64 Touches ground
10 Italian wine region	32 Receiver of blood samples	65 Costner role
14 First female U.S. Attorney General	38 Actress Theda	66 Cruising
15 Provide (with)	37 Wide-awake and ready to go	67 "Enigma Variations" composer
16 Descriptive dog name	41 Advertising catchword	68 Editor's mark
17 On ____ (proceeding independently)	42 Hurts like heck	
18 Makeshift punishment tool	43 Persian Gulf capital	DOWN
19 Utters	48 "That's show ____"	1 Transplants
20 You can't withdraw from them	49 Many girls' middle names	2 Kind of network
23 Singer Tucker	60 Dailies-to-Houston dir.	3 "I come to bury Caesar, not to praise him" speaker
24 Cluckers	61 House votes	4 Lightheaded
25 Indian from whom a state name is derived	84 In ____ (not yet born)	5 Relative of a guinea pig
	86 Sitcom feature	6 Pastel hue
	90 Comical animal	7 Ground cover
	91 Campus V.I.P.'s	8 Factor
		9 Stringed items

ACTS	SKREW	DISCO	11	Pancake flipper
DROP	TORI	EVIAN	12	Hit film that included Mr. Potato Head
HOLY	GRAIL	CANTO	13	With 52-Down, words of agreement
OWL	RILEY	ANGER	21	Takes in
CDS	IDA	IDOL	22	Olympic stadium cry
	BLESSED	EVENT	26	Failed 70's-80's polit. cause
STEEL	ALES	TOR	27	"What a relief!"
HELD	LAYLA	AONE	30	Like a pancake
ERE	AIRS	ANNEX	32	Egyptian art figure
DIVINE	COMEDY		33	Indian prey
ANTS	ENO	PAM		
MATTE	UNSER	ICY		
ALIEN	SACRED	COW		
ADORN	STAG	OKRA		
MANNA	ROLY	NYNY		

Puzzle by Elizabeth C. Gorske		
34	Tray filler	48 Words intended to scare
35	Cutting remark	57 ___ bene
37	Some works by Michelangelo	58 Forever-day connector
38	Tun through	52 See 13-Down
39	"___ have any say in the matter?"	59 Cold war ints.
40	Feminist Bella	60 1930's pub. works program
41	Frontier locales: Abbr.	
44	Author Rand	
45	Razz	
47	High-flying clique	

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